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In re the Application of

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For: PLASMA GENERATION APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

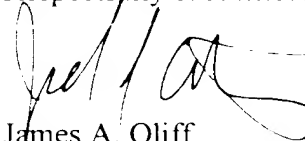
Please amend claim 6 as follows:

Claim 6, line 1, delete "or 5".

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending. This Preliminary Amendment eliminates multiple dependent claims. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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